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### Indiana Brownfields Program Project Survey

As part of an ongoing effort to collect data about brownfield redevelopment projects in Indiana, the Indiana Brownfields Program is requesting important information related to the financial and technical assistance it has provided since 1997. If you have received assistance from the Program, you should receive a brief survey in the mail in the coming weeks. Please complete this survey; your feedback will be instrumental as we evaluate our services so that we can continue to provide the most beneficial assistance to Indiana communities. Participation in this process will be considered during future funding rounds and other opportunities for assistance.

If you have not received a survey in the mail, or if you would prefer to complete it electronically, visit [www.in.gov/ifa/brownfields/survey.html](http://www.in.gov/ifa/brownfields/survey.html) to download the survey. Please e-mail completed surveys to Susan Tynes Harrington of the Indiana Brownfields Program at [sharrington@ifa.in.gov](mailto:sharrington@ifa.in.gov).

## What's New?

### Reminder: Indiana's Petroleum Remediation Grants Available Now

The time is now to come forward with sites in your community that are contaminated with petroleum products. The Indiana Brownfields Program has divided the state into seven regions for the purposes of administering the Petroleum Remediation Grant incentive in Indiana. \$750,000 has been set aside for each region for the assessment and remediation of petroleum-contaminated brownfield sites. Neither cash match nor investment from the community is required for this grant funding.

A consulting firm has been assigned to each region to work with Indiana Brownfields Program project managers to provide outreach to communities, compile information about potential sites, and perform the environmental assessment and remediation for the awarded sites. The consultants will submit an initial inventory of potential sites to the Indiana Brownfields Program by April 15, 2007. The first sites recommended for funding will then be presented to the Indiana Finance Authority Board of Directors for approval in June 2007. To take advantage of this opportunity for funding, contact Andrea Robertson Habeck of the Indiana Brownfields Program at (317) 234-0968 or [aroberts@ifa.IN.gov](mailto:aroberts@ifa.IN.gov) as soon as possible. More information about the Petroleum Remediation Grants, including FAQs and a map of the seven regions, is available at [www.in.gov/ifa/brownfields/financial\\_assistance.htm](http://www.in.gov/ifa/brownfields/financial_assistance.htm).

**NEXT INDIANA BROWNFIELDS PROGRAM STIPULATED ASSESSMENT GRANT & STIPULATED REMEDIATION GRANT APPLICATION DEADLINE EXTENDED: MAY 1**

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

For more up-to-date information about events relevant to brown-field redevelopment, please visit the Indiana Brownfields Program Web site: [www.brownfields.IN.gov](http://www.brownfields.IN.gov).

**April 17, 2007**

### ***IDEM's Consultants' Day***

Indiana Government Center South, Indianapolis, Indiana

[www.in.gov/apps/utills/calendar/eventcal?PF=idem&Clist=154&Elist=115895](http://www.in.gov/apps/utills/calendar/eventcal?PF=idem&Clist=154&Elist=115895)

**April 26-28, 2007**

### ***Midwest Land Conservation Conference***

Crowne Plaza Hotel, Indianapolis, Indiana

[www.lta.org/training/lct\\_mw.htm](http://www.lta.org/training/lct_mw.htm)

**May 1, 2007**

***Indiana Brownfields Program Stipulated Assessment and Remediation Grants Application Deadline*** [www.brownfields.IN.gov](http://www.brownfields.IN.gov)

**June 19-22, 2007**

***Community Involvement Training Conference: Celebrating the Past, Looking to the Future***

Jacksonville, Florida

[www.epa.gov/ciconference](http://www.epa.gov/ciconference)

**July 23-27, 2007**

***Nuts and Bolts of Brownfield Redevelopment for Local Governments***

Indiana Government Center South, Indianapolis, Indiana

[www.iaced.org/subpage.asp?p=155](http://www.iaced.org/subpage.asp?p=155)

**October 1-3, 2007**

***Sustainable Redevelopment of Cleanup Sites in the Ohio River Valley Conference***

The Brown Hotel, Louisville, Kentucky

**October 16-17, 2007**

***National Brownfield Association Brownfield Conference and Deal Flow Exhibit: Building a Future on our Industrial Past***

Navy Pier, Chicago, Illinois

[www.brownfieldassociation.org](http://www.brownfieldassociation.org)

**November 27-28, 2007**

***Ohio Brownfield Conference***

Cherry Valley Lodge, Newark, Ohio

[www.epa.state.oh.us/derr/outreach/Brownfield Training/brownfield\\_training.html](http://www.epa.state.oh.us/derr/outreach/Brownfield%20Training/brownfield_training.html)

## Updated SMARTe Now Available

Sustainable Management Approaches and Revitalization Tools - electronic (SMARTe) is a web-based, decision analysis support system for developing and evaluating future reuse scenarios for potentially contaminated land. SMARTe contains guidance and analysis tools for addressing all aspects of the revitalization process. A few of the new features in the January 2007 version of SMARTe include:

- \* New Getting Started section to help users who are just beginning a revitalization project
- \* Updated content on environmental, social, and economic resources
- \* New checklists including how to select a developer and environmental lawyer
- \* New case studies
- \* Expanded list of links to additional resources

SMARTe is being developed by U.S. EPA's Office of Brownfields Cleanup and Redevelopment and Office of Research and Development, with support from the Interstate Technology and Regulatory Council (ITRC) and the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research. Visit SMARTe at [www.smarte.org](http://www.smarte.org).

## Nuts and Bolts of Brownfield Redevelopment Coming to Indianapolis July 23-27

A training course specially designed for local government officials who are just beginning to learn about brownfield issues, the Nuts and Bolts of Brownfield Redevelopment for Local Governments will be held at the Indiana Government Center in downtown Indianapolis on July 23-27, 2007. Registration can be completed online at [www.iaced.org/subpage.asp?p=155](http://www.iaced.org/subpage.asp?p=155). Look for future postings to the Indiana Brownfields Program Email Listserv and Web page for more details about potential tuition scholarships and travel assistance.

## State Grant Disbursement Guidelines Now Available on Web

Grant disbursement guidelines, including sample scopes of work, invoice forms, and disbursement request forms for Indiana Brownfields Program Stipulated Assessment and Stipulated Remediation Grants are now available on the Indiana Brownfields Program Web site. These disbursement guidelines are to be used for the next grant round, which has been extended to May 1, 2007.

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